IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE, ANDHRA PRADESH
AT HYDERABAD

(Special Original Jurisdiction)

TUESDAY, THE TWENTY EIGHTH DAY OF DECEMBER
TWO THOUSAND AND FOUR

PRESENT

THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE N.V. RAMANA

WRIT PETITION NO.24317 of 2004

Between:

M/s. Yashoda Granites, rep. by its proprietor, B. Madan Mohan,
S/o.Ramaiah, R/o.H.No.8-3-828/16, Yellareddyguda, Hyderabad.

..... PETITIONER

AND

1 The Director of Mines and Geology, Hyderabad, B.R.K.R Building, 8th

floor, Tank Bund Road, Hyderabad.
2 The Asst. Director of Mines and Geology, Tekkali, Srikakulam District.

.....RESPONDENTS

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed herein the High Court may be pleased to issue an order or writ one in the nature of Writ of Mandamus, declaring the action of the respondents in not passing orders on the prospecting Licence Application of the petitioner granting prospecting licence for coloured granite over an extent of 1.00 Hectare in Sy.No.117/1 of Meelasativada village, Srikakulam District, as arbitrary, illegal, unjust and consequently direct the respondents to pass orders granting prospecting licence on the application dt. 25-01-2002.

Counsel for the Petitioner: SMT.N.SHOBA

Counsel for the Respondents: GP FOR MINES AND GEOLOGY

The Court, at the admission stage, made the following:

ORDER:

The main grievance of the petitioner in this writ petition is that he filed an application on 25.01.2002 before the 2nd respondent-Assistant Director of Mines and Geology, Tekkali seeking prospecting licence for quarrying of colour granite over an extent of 1.00 Hectare in Survey No.117/1 of Meelasativada village, Tekkali Mandal, Srikakulam District, but, so far the same is not being considered. Hence, he filed the present writ petition.

Heard the learned counsel for petitioner and learned Government Pleader for Mines and Geology. Both counsel agreed for disposal of the writ petition at the stage of admission.

Since the application of the petitioner dated 25.01.2002 is said to be pending consideration before the respondents, without going into the merits of the matter, I deem it appropriate to dispose of the writ petition with a direction to the respondents to consider the same and pass appropriate orders thereon in accordance with law, expeditiously, preferably within a period of three months from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

With the above direction, the writ petition is disposed of at the stage of admission. No costs.

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(N.V. RAMANA, J)

Date: 28.12.2004

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